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NHS Inductees: (l to r) Front row: Amber Lantz, Heidi Smith, Natalie Savage, Madison Barabach, Allison Giroux; Row 2: Elora LaFay, Abigayle Guenther, Cailin Chumita, Natalie Feaser, Malia Hamad; Row 3: Kamryn Culp, Taylor Badger, Chloe Sickman, Emily Garside, Hayley Woodrum, Meghan Craney; Back row: Jack Shanor, Nate Bowman, Owen Cunningham, Luke Fennell, Garrett Weaver, Jay Aaron, Nate Huscusson, Andrew Shrock.

Not Pictured: Sarah Hughes.



Current Members: (l to r) Front row: Ashley Owsiany, Abbie Howard, Morgan Manns, Kailee Zito; Row 2: Maddie Kurz, Corinne Donohue, Emma Kurtz, Ayla Deguzis, Lauren Waggoner; Row 3: Shaye Foutty, Jensen Miller, Erin Yoder, Erin Walker, Lauren Spradling, Payton Harris; Back Row: Alexander Glauthier, Collin Croasmun, Grant Baughman, Christian Houlehan, Luke O'Brien.

Northwest High School recognized as one of the 'BEST HIGH SCHOOLS' in *US News and World Report!*

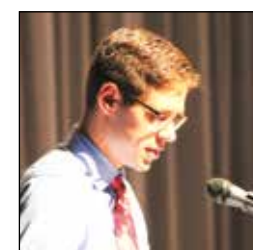


Lunch Prices

High School/Middle School	\$3.00
W.S. Stinson/NW Primary	\$2.70
Milk	\$.50

National Honor Society Inducts 25 New Members

On October 25th, 25 students were inducted into National Honor Society. During the ceremony, senior officers shared the importance of the four pillars of National Honor Society: President Grant Baughman explained the importance of *service*, Vice President Ashley Owsiany discussed *character*, Secretary Jensen Miller defined *leadership*, and Treasurer Abbie Howard discussed the true meaning of *scholarship*. Following the presentation and pledge of new members, Adviser Mrs. Heather Matoszkia acknowledged the hard work and dedication of NHS students as well as the important role of their parents. As the high school continues to encourage the "show up" movement, Mrs. Matoszkia recognized that these parents have "shown up" to support their students at school events, athletic practices, parent/teacher conferences, etc. Members of NHS continue to represent the school in many endeavors. They have adopted



the section of towpath from Canal Fulton to the Summit county line, performing four clean ups each year. They also participate in the Adopt-a-Family program at Christmas by collecting donations and purchasing gifts. For the past several years, they have sponsored the Volley for the Pets Volleyball Game (benefiting the Stark Humane Society) and Hoops for Hunger Basketball Game (benefiting Community Cupboard in Canal Fulton). At each event, students make a donation to participate and all proceeds go to the charity. It is truly an honor and a privilege to be a member of National Honor Society.



NHS "Shows Up"
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Board of Education



From left: Bob Schilling, Vice-President John Hexamer, Board President James Gindlesberger, Victor Colaianni, Stephen Jones.

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Growth Mindset

If you have ever found yourself frustrated while completing a project, task, or work assignment, you know that you have to find that inner motivation and resilience to move forward and finish. As adults, we are able to rely on our past experiences and knowledge to work through these obstacles that we encounter in everyday life. Many assume that students innately have the same skill set to deal with stressors or obstacles they encounter in their day-to-day activities. However, that is not always true for many of our students and they become overwhelmed very quickly. Some students feel that if they aren't on the winning team, or liked by everyone in their class, or experience success the first time they attempt a task, they have failed. They need to understand the importance of challenging themselves and the importance of effort.

Carol Dweck, a Stanford University psychologist, has done extensive research on individual mindset, defining it as what we believe about our most basic qualities and ourselves. Over the course of this school year, the district will be focused on helping our students develop a growth mindset. Individuals who have a growth mindset believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and effort, with brains and talent just being the starting point. At this point you may be feeling skeptical or wondering ...what exactly are they going to be teaching my child or the students of the district? We will focus on helping our students explore their dreams and aspirations while providing them with a set of skills to handle the inevitable obstacles that they will encounter. For example, how many times have you heard your child say, "I can't do this or this is too hard," Often they want to give up. Students who have a growth mind set will still experience frustrations, but they will voice determination: "I can't do this yet or this is really hard, but I will figure it out!"

Throughout the school year, we will explore multiple topics designed to promote a growth mindset including: the brain is a muscle that grows, how to embrace a challenge, how mistakes are opportunities to learn, and there is a difference between not knowing and not knowing yet. The importance of helping our children understand that "when the world says give up, hope whispers, try one more time" we are helping them understand the importance of a positive attitude and optimism, giving them the ability to regulate their emotions and the ability to see failure as a form of helpful feedback.

NORTHWEST LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT will host Brooks Gibbs, author of



Wednesday, February 20, 2019 • 7:00 p.m.
Puffenberger Hall at Northwest High School

Parents of K-12 students are encouraged to attend this powerful presentation!

Kindergarten Registration

To be eligible for kindergarten in the fall of 2019, your child must be five on or before September 30th.

**The online registration link will be available
January 7, 2019 through April 5, 2019
on the district website.**

**A computer station will be available at the
Central Office for those individuals who
do not have online access in their homes.**



Copies of the following documents must be brought to Central Office to complete the online registration process **by 5:00 p.m. on April 5, 2019:**

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ✓ Birth certificate | ✓ Parent's Photo ID |
| ✓ Proof of residency | ✓ Immunization record |
| ✓ Child's social security number | ✓ Custody papers (if applicable) |

2018-2019 New Classified Staff



Christa Amstutz
Bus Driver



Josh Arrendale
High School Aide



Chris Brown
High School Custodian



Chante Cooper
High School Guidance Secretary



NOT PICTURED:
Kyle Grim, Theater Technician



TOGETHERHOOD STARTS HERE
CANAL FULTON YMCA
(offices located at the David Y)
7389 Caritas Cir. NW, Massillon, OH 44646
330.830.6275 ymcastark.org



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2018. 2019 BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL CARE

- Children grades K –5th enrolled in Northwest Schools
- NW Schools will transport Stinson students between buildings
- Program site: Northwest Primary School Library
- Hours: 6:45—8:30am; 3:15—6:30pm
- Care available only on scheduled school days
- **Fun Club** (Jackson Local School days off)
- For children grades K-5th enrolled in Before and After School Child Care
- Hours: 6:45am – 6:30pm
- Location: Paul & Carol David YMCA

For information on other Canal Fulton Programs including Adult Group Exercise and SilverSneakers® Exercise Classes
Contact: Pam Leddon
330.830.6275 or pleddon@ymcastark.org

Financial assistance available **CONNECT WITH US** 



Holiday Music Celebrations: Public Welcome!

All performances are at the high school in Puffenberger Hall

December 5
High School Choir (7:00 pm)

December 6
Middle School Band (6:30 pm)

December 13
Middle School Choir & new 5th grade Choir (7:30 pm)

December 18
High School Band (7:00 pm)

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High School News

Show Up

Peers Teaching Peers



Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors from the Leadership committee and Social Justice Committee led by Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Schluep are leading lessons every Thursday in the Intervention classes. These students chose topics that they felt were relevant to students beginning their high school careers: Stress Management, School Spirit and Involvement, Social Anxiety, Teamwork, Responsibility, Substance Abuse & Making Poor Choices, Comfort Zones, and Resilience. Each Thursday, members rotate so that all freshmen and sophomores will get an opportunity to experience the lessons and activities that they have created.

NHS Keeps "Showing Up"



The "Show Up" Committee at Northwest High School has continued to work hard to make our school a welcoming place for our students. From Staff vs. Student volleyball games to Pancakes with the Principal for perfect attendance, it has been an eventful first nine weeks.

Gionino's Pizzeria gave gift cards for a free small pizza to all Northwest students who maintained above a 3.5 GPA or showed a .5 improvement from their previous report card. We also had our first Academic Pep Rally at the conclusion of the first nine weeks. This was an opportunity to recognize the hard work that our students have put forth so far this year. Students played a game in which they tried to guess facts about their teachers and we also played a game of "Are You Smarter than a High Schooler?"



The high school is using PBIS Rewards to award digital points to students that can be used for various prizes. Students can earn these points by helping teachers, demonstrating kindness to other students, attending Northwest school events, and more. The school store has Northwest gear, free homework passes, and much more that our students can "purchase" with their points.



Finally, Mike Gallina, Vice President of Communications and Community Outreach Aultcare, spoke with our students about the gifts each has to offer and the positive impact we can have on others. Each student was given a You Matter bumper sticker to help spread the message throughout the community.

Northwest Vocal Program 130 Proud Voices



Northwest choirs are very excited this year as the 130 members look forward to many upcoming events! Under the leadership of director Mr. Doug Beery and middle school director Mr. Conner Busby, the choir is off to a successful start this school year. Many enjoyed their fall concert which featured the poetry of Robert Frost and the accompaniment of a chamber orchestra which included band directors Ms. Riendeau and Mrs. Good, as well as former band director Mr. Kurzan.



This year's vocal program includes eight choirs in total including Chorale, Varsity Choir, and Concert Choir along with Men's and Women's Choruses. Smaller groups offered by audition are Northwest Singers, Kokopelli, and

Vocal Muse. Mr. Beery has great music selections for all of his groups this year! Choir members are currently practicing for Solo and Ensemble, the February high school musical production of *Mamma Mia*, and large group adjudicated contest. Join us December 5, for the Northwest Choir Holiday Concert featuring all eight choirs singing holiday favorites!



Upcoming Choir Events and Performances

Dec 5	Holiday Concert	Puffenburger Hall 7pm
Jan 19	Solo & Ensemble	Massillon Washington HS
Feb 15-17	Musical <i>Mamma Mia</i>	Puffenburger Hall 7pm, 7pm, 2pm
Mar 14	Winter Concert	Puffenburger Hall 7pm
Mar 15-16	District Large Group Contest	Lake HS
Apr 26-27	State Large Group Contest	Jackson HS
May 2	Spring Concert	Puffenburger Hall 7pm
May 10	Showcase Concert	Puffenburger Hall 7pm
May 14	Choir Banquet/Awards	Commons/Puffenburger Hall 6/7pm



2018-2019 Choir Officers (l to r):
Grant Baughman (President), Alex Glauthier
(Vice President), Lauren Waggoner (Treasurer),
Olivia Harbaugh (Secretary).

NHS Building Events

December

- 5 Holiday Choir Concert.....7pm
- 18 Holiday Band Concert7pm

January

- 14 Attendance Recognition
Breakfast
- 18 Academic Rally
Report Cards Issued

February

- 2 Blizzard Bash Winter Dance
- 15-16-17 High School Musical
- 27 Blood Drive

Athletic News

Northwest High School Winter Sports

*Please visit the new and improved Athletics page on the Northwest website for all scheduled events!



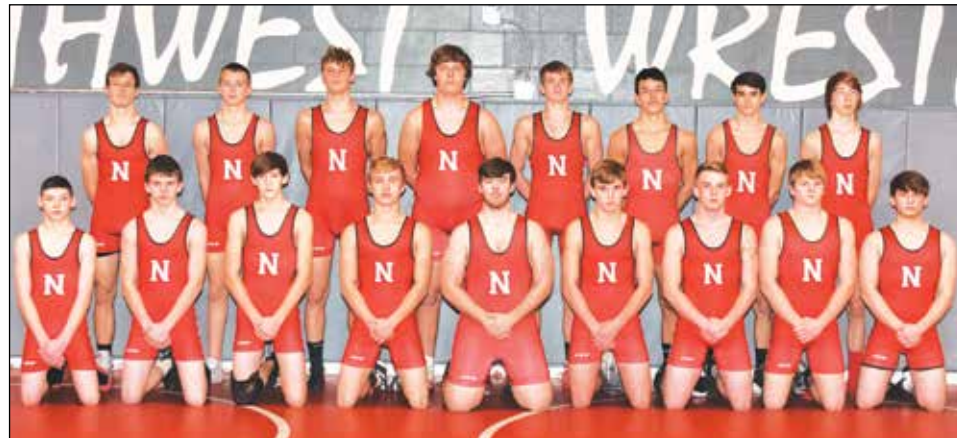
BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL Front Row: Jay Aaron, Ethan Hyme, Grant Baughman, Jordan Appleman, Nick Smith, Noah Werstler; Back Row: Coach Mike Lower, Remington McClung, Kyle Luhning, Luke Fennell, Joe Stockert, Nate Bowman, Josh Blankenship, Nick Leeders, Trey Miletich, Mason Woodruff, Coach Dave Cooper, Coach Mack Ferrell.



BOYS JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL Front Row: Nick Dinkins; Managers Chase Badger, Landon Kieffer, Caleb Hyme; Noah Werstler; Back Row: Coach Mike Lower, Jay Aaron, Ethan Hyme, Anthony Grossnickle, Remington McClung, Davin Harness, Nate Bowman, Mason Woodruff, Nick Smith, Mason McMullen, Brady Schenz, Coach Mack Ferrell.



BOYS FRESHMAN BASKETBALL Front Row: Aiden Roncaglione, Ian Brown, Jayden Berry, Brenden Craig, Andrew Jenkins, Coach Mike Lower; Back Row: Coach Dave Cooper, Brigham Hunter, Aidan Barna, Mason Kunkle, Alex Goddard. Not Pictured: Brandon Macko, Tyler Ogozalek.



WRESTLING Front Row: Damien Ries, Wyatt Witte, Jackson Czartoszewski, Jordan Beers, Tanner Jones, Christopher Davis, Ryan Davis, Colton Weber, Evan Gonzalez; Back Row: Vincent Simko, Benjamin Schilling, Connor Ramsey, Cody Logan, Jacobi Smith, Austin Donaldson, Mason Goliath, Spencer McAleese. Not Pictured: Carson Fox, Dylan Gregorich, Caden Oliver, Adam Wenhart.



Anna Welsh Signing her Letter of Intent to Play Softball at West Liberty

Anna Welsh is a three-year letter winner and a key returning player from last year's PAC-7 and District Champions team. In the words of her coach, Megan Levensgood, Anna is an asset to have on any softball team. She's a very versatile defensive player; she primarily played in the outfield last season, but she will transition to the infield this year. She can also pitch getting the win in our victory over Manchester last season. Anna is also clutch at the plate; she led the team in doubles and was in the top three in nearly every offensive category. Her success earned her multiple post-season honors last year being named Honorable Mention Stark County and Honorable Mention All-District.



Northwest High School Winter Sports

Continued



GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL Front Row: *Jessica Smith, Carrie Wyman, Coach Manning, Jordan Marecek, Taylor Badger*; Back Row: *Assistant Coach Andola Dortch, Chloe Sickman, Sidney Harbaugh, Shaye Foutty, Riley Cudnik, Carly Spradling, Payton Harris, Assistant Coach Courtney Palmer.*

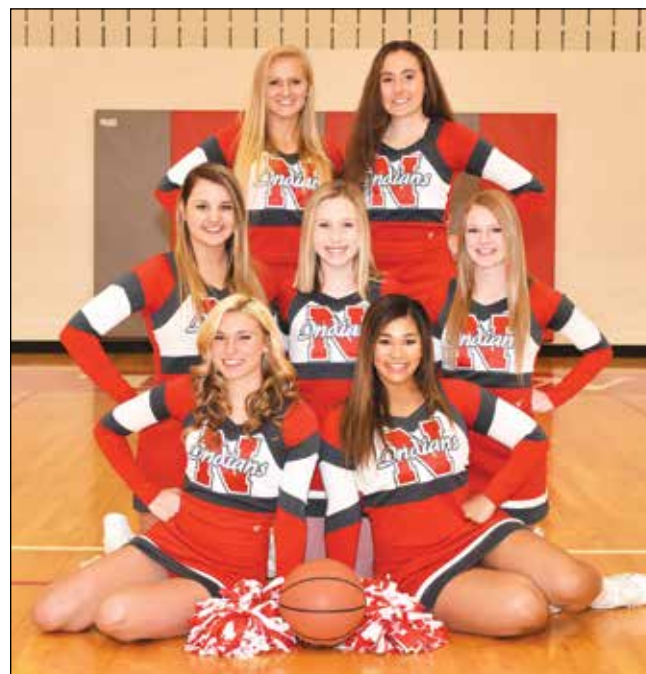


GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL Front Row: *Caitlyn Edwards, Natalie Stough, Jayla Smith, Kassidy Kimler*; Back Row: *Assistant Coach Andola Dortch, Hanna Crasi, Caroline Kuhn, Coach Alicia Manning, Emily Stokes, Reese Sanford, Assistant Coach Courtney Palmer.*

Northwest Athletic Hall of Fame

Northwest High School is proud to honor former athletes and coaches who have distinguished themselves in support of the Northwest Local School District athletic program. These alumni serve as role models to Northwest students due to their community contributions, professional accomplishments, education, leadership, or athletic endeavors beyond high school. Construction will begin soon on this special display with special thanks to The Jerome M. Hathaway Memorial Fund and The Northwest Takedown Club for their generous contributions.

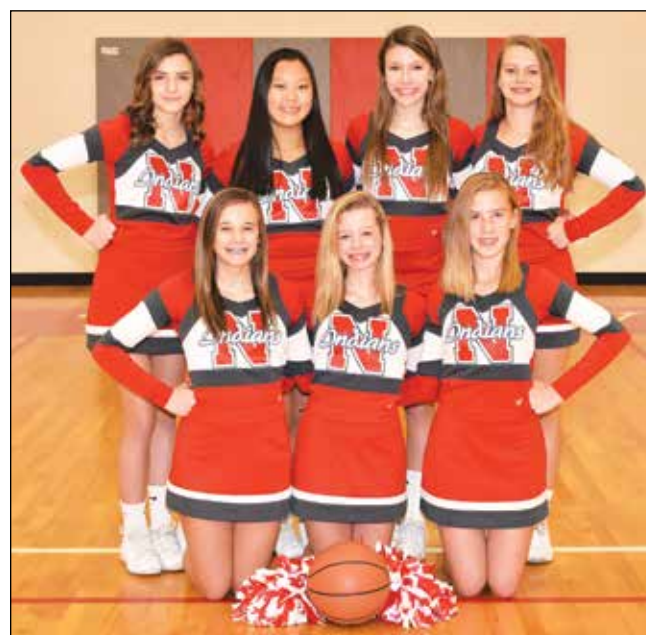
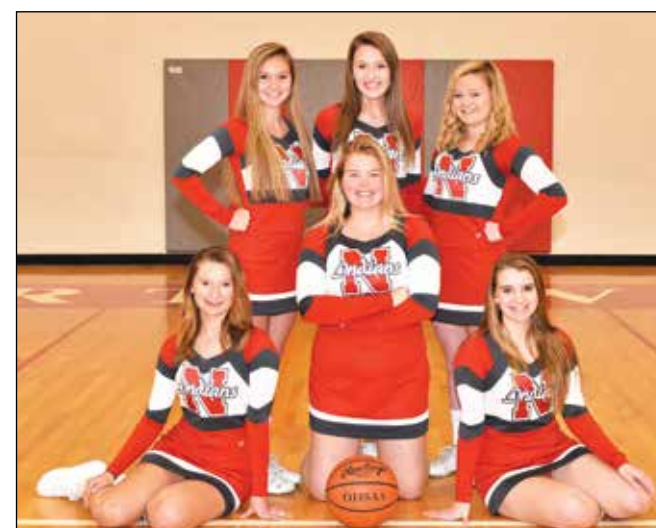
If interested in this honor, please see the Guidelines and Selection Criteria and the HOF Nomination Form on the NEW athletic page of the Northwest website. The next Hall of Fame Class will be inducted in September 2019.



VARSITY CHEERLEADERS
Front Row: *Erin Walker, Ayla DeGuzis*;
Middle Row: *Maci King, Emma Kurtz, Madison Kur*;
Back Row: *Cailin Chumita, Abbey Guenther.*

JUNIOR VARSITY CHEERLEADERS

Front Row:
Sarah Protzman, Hailey Stemple;
Middle Row:
Eileen Robinson;
Back Row:
Chloe Barcheck, Alyssa Pavick, Cassidy Young.



FRESHMAN CHEERLEADERS
Front Row:
Mercedes Carnifax, Rileigh Schreffler, Katie Popovic; Back Row:
Brooke Barrett, Mary Paydock, Kylee Cottrill, Madison Zellers.



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Middle School News

Sixth Grade Seventh Grade Eighth Grade



**Allyson
Taylor**

**Mia
Richardson**

**Eve
Null**



**Ryan
Robinson**

**Connor
Satterfield**

**Mark
Kaufman**

October Students of the Month

Each month, the middle school staff honors trustworthy, hardworking students who accept responsibility and do their work promptly and efficiently. These students respect authority and respect their peers, demonstrating honesty and fairness. They are dependable and often do more than is required of them. Congratulations students!

NMS Building Events

December

- 4-7 Book Fair
- 6 Middle School Band Holiday Concert
- 13 Middle School Choir Holiday Concert

January

- 11 First Semester Ends

February

- 14 Winter Conferences



Riley Plotner pointing to Thomas D. Culp. Each year, a football scholarship is awarded to a Northwest student in his honor. He is the grandfather of former students T.D. and Camryn Culp.

Greek Olympics

On Friday, October 19, seventh graders participated in Greek Olympics. They were placed into six teams and assigned a color. Those teams competed against each other in different events all day. They earned points based upon what place they earned in each event. Some of the events included tug of war, jeopardy, family feud, suitcase relay race, and Frisbee toss. Congratulations to Mr. Stroh's class, this year's winning team!



Krazy Kamp

"Camp Pocahontas we love you! Camp Pocahontas you're true blue!"

On November 16th and 17th, months of rehearsals paid off! Under the direction of Mr. Conner Busby, a cast of 25 students performed in Krazy Kamp, the first ever fall play at the middle school. Audiences were entertained as the troublesome boys of Camp John Smith tried to take over the beautiful Camp Pocahontas to claim the grounds as their own. Special thanks to Greg Ramos, Dr. Shreffler, Theresa Baughman, Angie King, James Bennett, the high school thespian society, Barry Busby, the Derry Family, and all the families of the students for supporting our young actors and actresses!



Pride, Patriotism, and Memories

History comes alive to students each year as the middle school hosts a trip to Washington DC. This year, 118 students went on the trip chaperoned by Mr. Maculaitis, Mr. Meissner, Mr. Dutton, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Baiera, Ms. Winston, and Mrs. Nichols. Students visited the Capitol Building, Arlington National Cemetery, the Gettysburg Museum, the Lincoln Memorial, the Vietnam Memorial, the Korean War Memorial, and more. It was an unforgettable weekend for our students.



Austin Wright and Braden Mick thank a war veteran for his service.



Carter Magyrics, Isaac LaFay, Gianna Kuhn, and Claudine Sanopao presented a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



W.S. Stinson Elementary News

Swim Lessons: A Favorite Annual Event

All fourth grade students at Stinson Elementary had the opportunity to visit the David YMCA in Jackson for five consecutive days to participate in swim lessons. Each week, one fourth grade class was transported to the YMCA where they were taught by certified swimming instructors. The children were initially given a swim test to check their swimming abilities. They were then placed in groups so the swimming instructors could better meet each swimmer's needs. In each group, the instructors worked on kicking, stroke development, breathing, diving, jumping, and water safety. They were also given plenty of free swim time which the children loved! This was a wonderful opportunity for the fourth grade classes!



Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week was presented by the Canal Fulton and Lawrence Township Fire Departments October 9th through 12th for students in grades K-3. "Look. Listen. Learn. Be Aware. Fire can happen anywhere" was the message of this year's Fire Prevention Week.

The Fire Department made presentations to students in Grades K-3. All students, including 4th and 5th grade students, had an opportunity to compete in the annual fire prevention poster contest.

Seth Myers, a fourth grade student in Mrs. McCulligan's class, won the poster contest. The poster will be sent to Columbus for the State's contest. Seth also earned a certificate and won a new bicycle from Brimstone Bicycle, which was presented to him at the council meeting on October 16th. Lastly, the firefighter's association will sponsor a pizza party for Mrs. McCulligan's entire class.

Stinson students enjoyed spending time with the fire fighters and being educated on fire safety.



Stinson Events

December

11 Talent Show
@Puffenberger Hall 7pm

January

7 Winter MAP Testing
17 Parent-Teacher
Conferences 3:30 -8pm
18 Report Cards
25 Career Day - 5th Grade



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Northwest Primary News



Dinner with Dad

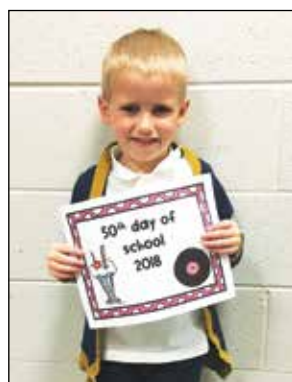
Northwest Primary was full of laughter and energy as first graders enjoyed Dinner with Dad on Thursday, October 4. Dads enjoyed Chick-fil-A dinners, visited classrooms, and wrote special words-of-encouragement letters to their children. Raffle baskets created by students and staff raised money to pay for busing for Peter and the Wolf, The Nutcracker, and the Kinderconcert. Dads and students built towers and cars, and they created spin art in activities provided by Bricks 4 Kidz, a program designed to create interest in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math. Thank you to the PTO and the Northwest Primary staff for making this a special night for dads and students alike!





Kindergarteners Time Travel

Kindergarteners celebrated the 50th day of school on November 2nd, 2018 by traveling back in time to the 1950's. Students and teachers wore 50s fashions and participated in many activities that we aligned to state standards and the school curriculum to emphasize the numbers 0-50 as well as the social studies concept of then and now. We had centers with different 50-themed activities, such as Legos and bubble gum (which were invented in the 50s). In the afternoon we came together and had root beer floats and danced the afternoon away at our very own sock hop complete with the best songs of the 50s.



Carving out Time to Read

The Cat in the Hat, Clifford the Dog, Pete the Cat, Angry Birds, and Trolls are just a sampling of the disguised pumpkins on display in the halls of Northwest Primary. The October Family Project definitely combined reading and creativity! First graders selected a book and read it with their families. They discussed the characters in the story and recreated their favorite characters on pumpkins.

Primary Building Events

December

21 Christmas parties

January

18 Multicultural Day

End of 2nd 9 weeks

29 Kiss the Pig contest begins

February

12 Last Day for Kiss the Pig contest

14 Valentines Day parties,
21 Parent/Teacher Conferences

.....3:45-5:45pm

28 Family Science
Fair.....6pm



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VETERANS DAY

